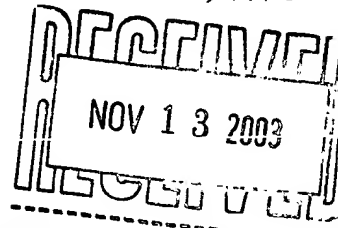
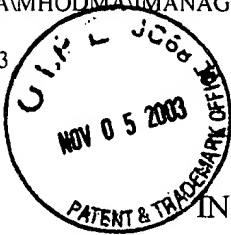


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Applicant hereby petitions to make the applications on Attachment A special as permitted under 37 CRF §1.102(c). The grounds and conditions for granting this application special status are found in M.P.E.P. § 708.02 IV entitled "Applicant's Age". One duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

Marvin A. Leedom, one of the inventors, is over 65 years of age. Mr. Leedom's statement showing that he is over 65 years of age is enclosed.

Applicant respectfully requests that this Petition to Make Special be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

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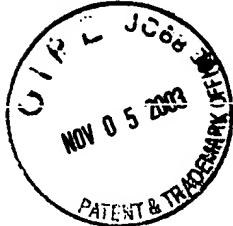
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Sir:

I, Marvin A. Leedom, hereby state that I am an inventor in the patent applications listed on Attachment A and am over 65 years of age.

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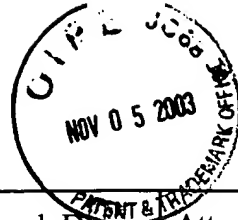
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Applicants: Marvin A. Leedom Walter P. Sjursen	Attorney Docket No.: 2506.1007-007
Application No.: 10/125,694	Filed: April 17, 2002
Group: 2643	Examiner: Not Assigned
Confirmation No: 1395	
Title: Modular Electroacoustic Instrument	
Applicants: Walter P. Sjursen, Marvin A. Leedom, Dererk D. Mahoney, John M. Margicin, Frederick J. Fritz, John G. Aceti, David A. Preves, Ponnusamy Palanisamy	Attorney Docket No.: 2506.1008-001
Application No.: 09/477,700	Filed: January 6, 2000
Group: 2643	Examiner: T.D. Nguyen
Confirmation No: 9604	
Title: Hearing Aid With Large Diaphragm Microphone Element Including a Printed Circuit Board	
Applicants: John G. Aceti, Marvin A. Leedom, Frederick J. Fritz, Derek D. Mahoney, John M. Margicin, Walter P. Sjursen, Michael H. Tardugno, David A. Preves	Attorney Docket No.: 2506.1009-001 (SMI-13459pA)
Application No.: 09/524,666	Filed: March 13, 2000
Group: 2643	Examiner: P. L. Dabney
Confirmation No.: 6745	
Title: Disposable Modular Hearing Aid	



Applicants: Marvin A. Leedom, Derek D. Mahoney, John M. Margicin, Sam Meytus, Reuben Q. Zielinski, Frederick J. Fritz, Michael H. Tardugno, Walter P. Sjursen, David A. Preves	Attorney Docket No.: 2506.1009-005
Application No.: 09/804,978	Filed: March 13, 2001
Group: 2643	Examiner: Not Assigned
Confirmation No.: 2623	
Title: Disposable Modular Hearing Aid	
Applicants: Derek D. Mahoney, Walter P. Sjursen, Wayne J. Staab, Marvin A. Leedom	Attorney Docket No.: 2506.1013-001
Application No.: 09/524,040	Filed: March 13, 2000
Group: 2643	Examiner: T. D. Nguyen
Confirmation No.: 6480	
Title: One-Size-Fits-All Uni-Ear Hearing Instrument	
Applicants: Marvin A. Leedom, John G. Aceti, Walter P. Sjursen, Derek D. Mahoney, John M. Margicin, Michael H. Tardugno, Robert R. Demers, John E. Oltman, Robert C. Maxwell, Frederick J. Fritz	Attorney Docket No.: 2506.2008-001
Application No.: 09/524,501	Filed: March 13, 2000
Group: 2643	Examiner: S. Ni
Confirmation No.: 6414	
Title: Hearing Aid	
Applicant: Marvin A. Leedom	Attorney Docket No.: 2506.2012-001
Application No.: 09/804,983	Filed: March 13, 2001
Group: 2643	Examiner: S. N. Tran
Confirmation No.: 9359	
Title: Hearing Aid With Flexible Shell	